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FM AMEMBASSY BOGOTA
TO DEA HQRS WASHDC IMMEDIATE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L BOGOTA 6447

E O 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: GFT BERMAN, MATTHEW NATHAN

DEA HQRS FOR ENCC MR DURKIN. EMBS FOR DEA.

1. ON 8/6/73 OSCAR ALONZO SERNA-TAPIAS PROVIDED BOGOTA DO WITH
INFO THAT MATTHEW NATHAN BERMAN (OR VERMAN) WHITE USC MALE OF
1224 ELMWOOD EVANSTON ILL (U S PPT NO H21832235) IS NOW IN BOGOTA
ATTEMPTING TO PURCHASE 30 - 40 KILOS OF COCAINE.

2. BERMAN REPORTEDLY ARRIVED IN BOGOTA 8/4/73 FROM MEXICO VIA
COMMERCIAL AIRLINES FLT AND IS NOW STAYING AT THE TEQUENDAMA
HOTEL ROOM 627. ON 8/5/73 HE MET WITH AN ALLEGED COCAINE TRAFFICKER
FRANCISCO CAMACHO-LEYVA AT CAMACHO'S HOME LOCATED NEAR CAR 7
AND CALLE 72 BOGOTA AND ARRANGED FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE 30 -
40 KILOS OF COCAINE.

3. ON 8/6/73 BERMAN SUPPOSEDLY SENT A TEL TO AN ASSOCIATE IN THE
U S OR MEXICO ASKING HIM TO BRING THE MONEY TO BOGOTA IN A RENTAL
AIRCRAFT. THE COCAINE IS TO BE LOADED INTO THE AIRCRAFT AT BOGOTA.
FROM BOGOTA THE AIRCRAFT WILL BE FLOWN TO JAMAICA FOR REFUELING
AND FROM THERE IT WILL PROCEED TO AN UNKNOWN LOCATION IN THE U S
WITH A POSSIBLE STOP IN MEXICO.

4. BOGOTA DO REQUESTS DEA HQRS CONDUCT FILE CHECK ON MATTHEW
NATHAN BERMAN (OR VERMAN) AND FORWARD BACKGROUND INFO INCLUDING
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ASSOCIATES ETC TO BOGOTA DO. ALSO REQUEST INFORMANT CIRCULAR CHECK

ON OSCAR ALONZO SERNA-TAPIAS FOR POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT AS
COOPERATING INDIVIDUAL. WHITE

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